

(b) VA is unable to employ the personnel qualified to properly perform the services and is unable to locate another Federal agency capable of providing the service.

(c) The inspection or grading results issued by a private organization are essential to verify the acceptance or rejection of a special commodity.

(d) The services may be performed without direct Government supervision.

846.471 Determination authority.

The following officials must make the determinations required in 846.470:

(a) The Director, Office of Construction and Facilities Management, for those items and services for which purchase authority has been assigned to the Office of Construction and Facilities Management.

(b) The Director, Veterans Canteen Service, for those items and services purchased, or contracted for, by the Veterans Canteen Service (except those items purchased from VA supply sources).

(c) The DSPE for all other supplies, equipment, and services.

846.472 Inspection of repairs for properties under the Loan Guaranty and Direct Loan Programs.

As provided in 846.472–1 and 846.472–2, management brokers or qualified fee or staff inspectors must conduct a final inspection of all repair programs upon completion. In addition, the broker or inspector must conduct intermediate or progress inspections on extensive or technical jobs as specified in the contract.

846.472–1 Repairs of \$1,000 or less.

(a) Generally, the management broker must make any required inspections for repairs of \$1,000 or less. A qualified fee or staff inspector must make any required inspection for repairs of \$1,000 or less if the contracting officer:

(1) Has not assigned the property to a management broker; or,

(2) Has determined that the nature of the repairs requires supervision by a technician.

(b) There is no form prescribed for inspection of repairs of \$1,000 or less, but

the inspector may use VA Form 26–1839, Compliance Inspection Report. Regardless of the form in which the report is submitted, the inspector must identify the contractor, property, and the repair program and provide sufficient detail to enable the contracting officer to make a determination that the work is being performed satisfactorily or completed in accordance with the terms of the contract.

846.472–2 Repairs in excess of \$1,000.

(a) A qualified fee or staff inspector must make the final inspection and any intermediate or progress inspections on repairs exceeding \$1,000.

(b) The inspector must make the report of inspection on VA Form 26–1839, Compliance Inspection Report. The inspector must identify the property, contractor, and repair program and provide sufficient detailed information to enable the contracting officer to make a determination that the work is being performed satisfactorily or that it has been completed in accordance with the terms of the contract. The inspector must itemize any deficiencies and explain the deficiencies in detail.

Subpart 846.7—Warranties

846.710 Contract clauses.

The contracting officer shall insert the clause at FAR 52.246–21, Warranty of Construction, in solicitations and contracts for construction that are expected to exceed the micro-purchase threshold.

846.710–70 Special warranties.

The contracting officer shall insert the clause at 852.246–74, Special warranties, in solicitations and contracts for construction that include the FAR clause at 52.246–21, Warranty of Construction.

846.710–71 Warranty for construction—guarantee period services.

The contracting officer shall insert the clause at 852.246–75, Warranty of construction—guarantee period services, in solicitations and contracts for construction that include the FAR clause at 52.246–21, Warranty of Construction, and that also include guarantee period services.